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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

File No. SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE C.I.D. REGISTRY

REPORT

SECTION 2.

Date September 11, 1933

Subject (in full) letter from British Consulate-general enclosing photograph of Max Rund, German Communist.

Made by D.S. Prokofiev Forwarded by D.S. Prokofiev

With reference to the endorsement of the Officer i/c Special Branch on the attached report dated July 5, 1933, on the subject of Max Rund, German Communist, and a local German resident named Paul Metzner (File D.1507), I have to report that efforts to obtain a photograph of Paul Metzner have so far been unsuccessful.

A. Prokofiev
D. S.

Officer i/c Special Branch.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.
C. I. S. B. REGISTRY
File No. N D 4507
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REPORT

Date July 5, 1933

Subject (in full) Letter from British Consulate-General re: Max Rund, German Communist.

Made by D.S. Prokofiev Forwarded by D.B.Ku. D.I.

With reference to the letter dated May 2,1933 enclosing a photograph of Max Rund,German communist believed to have visited Shanghai and Singapore in the summer of 1932,I have to report that further enquiries have failed to elicit any information regarding this individual's presence in Shanghai.

However,it is of interest to note that several persons,including Mr. H.Gaetjen,Chief Chancellor of the local German Consulate-General, who have been confidentially approached during the course of enquiries,find a striking similarity between the individual appearing on the photograph in question and a local German resident named Paul Metzner. In this connection the fact must be kept in view that the photograph was taken in 1926.

Enquiries show that Paul Metzner is a German citizen, born in 1891 in Prussia. He first arrived in Shanghai and was registered with the local German Consulate in 1914. After several years' sojourn in this city he left for an unknown destination. About 8 years ago he re-appeared in Shanghai coming either from Manila or from Singapore. During the period from 1925 to 1928 he is believed to have resided in Tientsin where he was employed for some time with Bremen Colonial & China Trading Co. According to our information he has been residing in Shanghai since 1929 and was employed for short periods first with Dehn & Ebsen Inc. (China Branch),33 Kiangsi Road,and later with Reiss,Massey & Co, 15 Museum Road. At present he is reported to be unemployed . He is residing in House 2,No 219 Avenue du Roi Albert at which address his wife,Mrs E.Metzner, keeps a boarding-house known as " Pension Eden ".

During his sojourn in Shanghai Metzner did not come to the notice of this office in connection with any political

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or other undesirable activities and there nothing in Municipal Police records regarding him. However, he is described by the Chancellor of the German Consulete-general as being a" shady" character.

So far, it has not been definitely established whether or not Metzner visited Singapore in the summer of 1932.

A. Prokofiev
D. S.

Officer i/c Special Branch.

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Mr Yao,
Please refer to letter of May 5 and send copy of this report to Mr Barton.
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III,
S2,
Please endeavour to obtain a photograph of Paul Metzner.
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D.S. Prokofiev.
DSR/47.

D. 4507.

S. B. REGISTRY
No. D 4507
Date 5-5-19

May 5, 33.

Dear Barton,

I am in receipt of your letter of May 2 and thank you for the photograph of Max Rund, the original of which is returned herewith together with an extra copy.

Yours sincerely,

J. Barton, Esq.,
H.B.M. Consulate-General,
Shanghai.

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C. & S. B. REGISTRY
V. D. 4507
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BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,
P.O. BOX 250. SHANGHAI.

2nd May 1933.

My dear Givens,

With reference to my letter to you of February 15th on the subject of MAX RUND.

I enclose here with a photograph of this man taken in 1926 for your files. I shall be much obliged if you will return this photograph to me as soon as you have copied it and, if you can spare it, an extra copy.

Yours sincerely,

James Harlow.

D.S. Parkefield
DSP 3/5.

T.P. Givens, Esq.,
Special Branch,
S.M.P.

IV
S2 For further inquiry and report please
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Dear Barton,

With reference to your office letter of February 15, 1933, I forward herewith for your information a copy of a report made by Det. Sergeant Prokofiev of the Special Branch.

Yours sincerely,

(Sd) T. P. Giveno

J. Barton, Esq.,

British Consulate-General.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

Special Branch S. 2, ~~Station~~

REPORT

Date ~~March 13,~~ 1933.

Subject (in full) Enquiry from H.B.M. Consulate-General re: Max Rund, German communist.

Made by D.S. Prokofiev. *Forwarded by* J B Ru. 21.

With reference to the letter dated February 15, 1933 from H.B.M. Consulate-General in Shanghai on the subject of one Max Rund, ~~xxxxx~~, an important German communist, who is believed to have visited Shanghai during the summer of 1932, enquiries at the Public Safety Bureau Passport Examination Office show that prior to October 1932 no lists of foreigners arriving in Shanghai from abroad were kept. Therefore, unless the name of the vessel by which this individual arrived in Shanghai or the date of his arrival is known, it is next to impossible to find the passport examination form filled in by him.

Lists of foreigners who arrived in Shanghai after October 1, 1932 have been examined by the undersigned, as well as enquiries have been made at various hotels etc., but no trace of any person bearing the name Max Rund can be found in Shanghai.

A. Prokofiev
D. S.

Officer i/c Special Branch.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
C. & S. B. REGISTRY
No. D 4507
Date 16/2/33

BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,
SHANGHAI

15.2.33.

My dear Givens,

I have received information that an important Communist by the name of Max Rund, born February 3rd 1884, at Gleiwitz, was in Shanghai and Singapore in the summer of last year.

By which route he arrived in Shanghai I do not know, but I shall be most grateful if you would be good enough please to enquire of the Chinese Passport Authorities whether they have any record of the arrival of such a man.

If so could you please obtain from them the particulars as entered by Rund on the passport form.

Yours sincerely,

N Stephen

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T. Givens Esq.,

S2, For attention please
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